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Reply to Examiner's Action dated 12/02/2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicants originally submitted Claims 1-21 in the application. In previous responses, the Applicants amended Claims 1-7, 12 and 17. No claims were canceled or added.

In the pending Final Rejection, the Examiner has indicated that dependent Claim 6 includes allowable subject matter. In order to expedite issuance, the Applicants have amended independent Claims 1, 3 and 5 with the allowable subject matter and have canceled Claim 6 without prejudice or disclaimer. Additionally, the Applicants have amended former independent Claims 7, 10, 12, 15, 17 and 20 to depend on independent Claims 1, 3 or 5, respectively. Accordingly, the Applicants believe the pending Claims 1-5 and 7-21 are allowable and respectfully requests the Examiner to issue allowance thereof.

I. Rejection of Claims 1-5 under 35 U.S.C. §102

The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-5 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,363,319 to Hsu. The rejection, however, is now moot since independent Claims 1, 3 and 5 have been amended to include allowable subject matter. Thus, amended independent Claims 1, 3 and 5 and Claims dependent thereon are allowable. The Applicants, therefore, respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the §102(b) rejection of Claims 1-5 and allow issuance thereof.

II. Rejection of Claims 7-21 under 35 U.S.C. §103

The Examiner has rejected Claims 7-21 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Hsu in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,256,675 to Rabinovich. The rejection, however, is now moot since

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Claims 7-21 have been amended to depend on independent Claims 1, 3 or 5, and each of these amended independent Claims include allowable subject matter. The Applicants, therefore, respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the §103(a) rejection of Claims 7-21 and allow issuance thereof.


III. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, the Applicants now see all of the Claims currently pending in this application to be in condition for allowance and therefore earnestly solicit a Notice of Allowance for Claims 1-5 and 7-21.

The Applicants request the Examiner to telephone the undersigned attorney of record at (972) 480-8800 if such would further or expedite the prosecution of the present application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, credits or overpayments to Deposit Account 08-2395.

Respectfully submitted,

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